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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q65438

Toshiaki MATSUNAGA, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/922,839

Group Art Unit: 1772

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Examiner: Sandra M. Nolan

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For: COATING FOR WATER BLOCKING AGENTS

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 13, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

1. (Twice amended) A coating for water blocking agents to fill empty joint spaces on continuous walls comprising a composition consisting essentially of a water-absorbing resin (a), a hydrophilic binder resin (b) and a solvent (c),

wherein said hydrophilic binder resin (b) has an acid value of 40 mg KOH/g to 500 mg

KOH/g.